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## FATAL STRIKE RIOT IN PENNSYLVANIA

OUR PERSONS WERE  
KILLED DURING FIGHT

Three of the Dead Were Miners—Ten  
Year Old Boy Slain by Stray  
Bullet.

(Associated Press.)  
Johnstown, Pa., April 17.—After  
weeks of anxiety, the situation brought  
about by the controversy of the coal  
miners with the operators culminated  
last night in a riot at Windber, near  
this city, which finally ended in blood-  
shed. Four are dead and a number in-  
jured and throughout the night the  
town was in a state of armed anarchy.  
The shooting was brought on by an  
assault upon the jail made by striking  
miners who attempted to rescue com-  
rades who had been placed under ar-  
rest.

The riot occurred in the early hours  
of the night and continued for several  
hours, working the residents to such  
a pitch that the night was one of ter-  
ror. The dead are principally foreign-  
ers, and were miners who were out on  
strike. They are Pietro Martini, An-  
tonio Mazzuca and Paul Zills, who was  
the leader of the mob.

Curtis Kester, ten years old, a by-  
stander during the trouble, was shot  
in the abdomen and was taken to the  
hospital, where he died shortly after  
midnight.

When the deputies fired on the mob  
they fled, leaving three of their num-  
ber on the ground dead and the strikers  
refused to permit the undertakers to  
remove the bodies, the latter re-  
mained where they fell until an early  
hour this morning.

The rioters were for the most part  
of foreign element who had been cele-  
brating Easter Monday, a holiday that  
has always been greatly observed in  
this section by them. Yesterday the  
streets of Windber presented a car-  
nivalesque appearance. There was much  
liquor consumed and many more under  
the influence of liquor.

When the trouble broke out the state  
constabulary that was at Greenburg  
was immediately ordered to Windber  
and a special was procured and dis-  
patched to the scene. The rioters were  
about a mile west of this city, however,  
the train was blocked by a freight wreck  
and the troops did not reach Windber  
until after 4 o'clock this morning.

At that time the town had quieted  
and no demonstration was made. The  
constabulary relieved some of the de-  
puties that were patrolling the town  
and the beats were placed at fifty  
yards.

There were many altercations and  
boisterous scenes on the streets  
throughout yesterday, but no serious  
clashes occurred, and even a large mass  
meeting was held without any disor-  
der until Deputy Sheriff W. M. McMil-  
len appeared. The foreigners are ap-  
parently antagonistic to McMillen, and  
have an old standing antipathy to him.

He was for five years chief of police of  
Windber, and during his administra-  
tion it is said made himself unpopular  
with the miners. The slight of McMil-  
len infuriated some of them, and he  
was looked on as a spy. Many of the  
men rushed for him and threats were  
made against his life, and he fled,  
taking refuge in the home of Charles  
Davies. The crowd, however, gave  
chase, and soon a mob of 2,500 sur-  
rounded the Davies home and stoned it  
until the occupants were compelled to  
seek refuge with neighbors.

During this riot about 20 of the ri-  
oters were placed under arrest and land-  
ed in jail. Under the leadership of  
Paul Zills, who was shot dead subse-  
quently, the mob assailed the jail,  
throwing stones and any missile that  
was at hand. The deputies surrounded  
the jail, and with the aid of the fire  
department tried to restore order. The  
mob was persistent, and refused to lis-  
ten to cooler heads, who advised them  
to disperse and go home, and closing  
in on the jail began to assault the  
deputies. The latter tried to stop the  
onrush with bayonets, and when it  
seemed that the deputies and firemen  
could go down before the infuriated  
men, the deputies fired. This was not  
done, however, before knives and re-  
volvers appeared in the hands of the  
strikers. But one volley was fired, and  
at the sound of the guns the mob  
broke and fled.

More serious trouble was expected to  
occur when the strikers appeared this  
morning and saw the state officers in  
charge. There were no developments  
however up to 7 o'clock.

## DOCTOR OF LAWS.

Degree Will Be Conferred on King Ed-  
ward by the University of  
Pennsylvania.

Philadelphia, Pa., April 17.—King Ed-  
ward VII. of Great Britain, through  
Sir Mortimer Durand, his ambassador,  
will receive the degree of doctor of  
laws from the University of Pennsyl-  
vania on Thursday at the university  
observance of the bi-centenary of the  
birth of Benjamin Franklin.

Andrew Carnegie, Sir George Howard  
Darwin Pluman, professor of astron-  
omy and experimental philosophy,  
University of Cambridge, England;  
William Brewster, inventor, R. R. R.  
Inventor, professor of physics, McGill  
University, Montreal; Edward L.  
Nichols, professor of physics, Cornell  
University; A. Brand, Royal Academy  
of Sciences, Berlin, and H. A. Lounsbury,  
a distinguished physician of Holland, will  
also receive honorary degrees.

## C. C. CHIPMAN IS VISITING CITY

VICTORIA AN IDEAL  
PLACE IN HIS EYES

The Executive Head of Hudson's Bay  
Company is Enthusiastic Over  
Its Charms.

C. C. Chipman, of Winnipeg, chief  
commissioner of the Hudson's Bay  
Company, is in the city. He is staying  
at the Oak Bay hotel, where Mrs.  
Chipman and the members of his fam-  
ily have spent the greater part of the  
winter. Mr. Chipman was seen at the  
hotel last evening by a reporter of the  
Times. He says that his trip to the  
coast at this time is one of his regular  
ones made for the purpose of inspec-  
tion, etc. His visit he says has no spe-  
cial significance.

Mr. Chipman will spend a few more  
days here and it is quite evident that  
he laments the approach of the day  
when he will have to leave, for no  
visitor to the city is more enthusiastic  
in his praises of the charms of Victo-  
ria than the chief commissioner of  
the Hudson's Bay Company. It will  
be remembered that when he was in  
Victoria over a year ago he gave the  
Times an interview in which the beau-  
ties of the city and its advantages as  
a residential and tourist centre were  
extolled. There can be no doubt that  
that interview, which was freely copied  
in the papers of Manitoba, had a very  
appreciable effect in inducing many of  
the visitors from the prairies who came  
here this winter to make the trip. Mr.  
Chipman is undoubtedly one of the  
best immigration agents that the city  
of Victoria has.

When he was asked last evening  
when he would be leaving the city it  
was with an air of sadness that he  
announced that he could spend only a  
few more days here. The sequel was  
found in the question by him: "Isn't  
this a lovely spot?" No one in the Do-  
minion of Canada has had better op-  
portunities than Mr. Chipman to form  
a relative estimate of the advantages  
of the different parts of the province.  
In the very front rank there can be no  
question, as he has selected it as the place  
where his wife and family shall spend  
the summer.

Mr. Chipman confirms the news that  
there is a very rapid development of  
the prairie sections of the Dominion.  
He expects to see considerable work  
done on the Grand Trunk Pacific this  
coming summer. The road has been  
Portage la Prairie to the Touchwood  
Hills is practically ready for the run  
now, and he thinks that there will be  
no time lost in extending the road this  
season.

In connection with the affairs of his  
own company Mr. Chipman says that  
there is nothing out of the regular line  
of business to report.

## ANNUAL TOURNAMENT HAS BEEN CONCLUDED

Results of Golf Meet Under Auspices  
Victoria Club at Oak Bay  
Links.

The annual tournament of the Victo-  
ria Golf Club came to a conclusion  
yesterday. It has proved one of the  
most enjoyable meets ever held under  
the auspices of the local association.  
Opening on Good Friday and continu-  
ing on Saturday and yesterday the  
players were able to indulge in their  
favorite pastime favored by ideal  
weather. The Oak Bay links were in  
splendid condition, and the pleasure  
was still further augmented by the  
fact that the contestants from outside  
points of whom there were quite a  
number with reputations as experts,  
made every event interesting by their  
earliest endeavors to defeat the local  
experts. In the majority of cases,  
however, the latter upheld the reputa-  
tion Victoria has established as a  
centre of capable golfers. Only one  
event of importance was captured by  
a visitor, namely, the gentlemen's put-  
ting contest, won by T. S. Lippy, of  
Seattle.

Appended are the complete results:  
Men's open singles, handicap, medal  
play, 18 holes; prize for best scratch  
score, prize for best net score, prize  
for best last nine holes, net, 1st, H.  
Combe, Runner-up, C. B. Wilson, of  
Winnipeg. Five up and 3 to play.

Men's doubles, R. A. Bechum and  
G. Goss. Four up on Bogie.  
Men's handicap singles (Best scratch  
score), H. Combe with 73 (best net  
score), A. S. Goss (best last nine holes  
net), B. G. Gossard.  
Men's putting contest—T. S. Lippy,  
of Seattle.

Ladies' open singles, match play  
against Bogie, 18 holes; 1st and 2nd  
prizes—1st, Miss Mary, two up; run-  
ners-up, Mrs. W. Langley and Miss  
Langley (tie).

Ladies' open singles, handicap. A  
class—Mrs. Combe, net score 55, B  
class, Miss N. Langley.  
Ladies' foursomes—1st, Miss J.  
Gossard, 2nd, Miss Gossard.  
Ladies' putting contest—1st, Mrs. W.  
Langley.

## THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Athens, April 17.—The French ath-  
letic team which is to participate in  
the Olympic games, beginning here on  
April 26th, arrived in this city yester-  
day.

## THE REMOVAL OF SUBMARINE MINES

ESQUIMAULT HARBOR  
CLEAR OF OBSTACLES

Elaborate Defensive System Has Been  
Removed and Material Placed  
In Stores.

That radical changes are contem-  
plated in connection with the Esquimault  
defences is demonstrated by the work  
that has been under way during the  
past few weeks. The elaborate system  
of submitting which stretched from a  
batter on this side of the entrance to  
the harbor to Rodd Hill has been com-  
pletely removed, and the cables and  
other paraphernalia replaced in stores.  
It is understood that when the Domi-  
nion government took control of the  
Work Point station all the defences  
were included in the transaction.  
Therefore whether or not the dismantling  
of the mines, which practically made  
a successful attack on the harbor im-  
possible, is the first evidence of the  
policy of the Federal authorities can  
only be conjectured.

It is perhaps unnecessary to say that  
during the regime of the Imperial gov-  
ernment at Esquimault the forcing of  
the waterway in question was rendered  
impracticable by the system which has  
recently been removed. Four or five  
cables running from the city side to  
Rodd Hill fortress were kept in a con-  
stant state of repair. Attached to them  
at irregular intervals were mines, the  
explosion of a single one of which  
would have been sufficient to render  
the waterway impassable. These were  
placed out of the water. These were  
so placed that the harbor was consid-  
ered impregnable. The mines, of which  
there were between eighteen and  
twenty, were not arranged in a haz-  
ardous manner, but placed in certain  
spots obtained after careful and most  
exact mathematical calculation. Those  
acquainted with all the intricacies of  
the system state that it would have  
a wanton waste of life and property for  
an enemy's ship, to have attempted to  
enter during either the day or night  
unless the garrison were surprised  
away from their posts, a contingency  
not likely to occur during periods  
when the mines were likely to arise.

These submarine mines were not of  
the mechanical kind which remain  
some distance under water and ex-  
plode when coming in contact with a  
ship. They were controlled from what  
was known as the test house at one  
of the forts. As the vessel approached  
one of the forts, the test house, for  
the duty simply followed it along its course  
with a telescope keeping the instru-  
ment carefully trained upon its bow.  
Sooner or later it was bound to reach  
the fatal spot, and then a pin attached  
to the telescope automatically connect-  
ed the battery and the result, in case  
of actual warfare, can be better im-  
agined than described. The switch  
board, if it may be so termed, was ar-  
ranged in such a manner as to make  
it possible for a series of mines to be  
exploded simultaneously if the condi-  
tions warranted such a thing.

The expense of maintaining the  
system, however, amounted to a  
considerable sum annually according  
to those in a position to know  
whereof they speak. The practical use  
of the system, under the prevailing  
conditions, has often been questioned  
in military circles. At the present time  
Great Britain is on friendly relations  
with other nations and especially so  
with the United States the only coun-  
try that could possibly make an on-  
slaught upon Esquimault, before that  
strategic position could be made as  
impracticable, if not more so, than it  
ever was while maintained by the Im-  
perial government. In view of these  
facts it is generally believed that the  
Federal authorities have decided to  
practice economy wherever it is pos-  
sible to do so without impairing the  
efficiency of the station in case of an  
unexpected outbreak of war.

## INDIAN CHIEF DYING.

Geromino, Head of the Apache Tribe,  
May Live Only a Few Days.

(Associated Press.)  
Lawton, O. T., April 17.—Geromino,  
chief of the Apache tribe, is critically  
ill at his home on Fort Huachuca  
reservation, and the tribe declared yester-  
day that he could live only a few  
days.

When his biographer called on him  
Sunday, Geromino said: "I am praying  
to the white man's God, who has made  
me a man fit for heaven, to spare my  
life for a few years longer until I am  
freed from custody and see my people  
in free homes. God knows my heart is  
good, but I am telling him my people  
need me here more than I am needed  
in a better world."

Geromino is 75 years old. He is liv-  
ing with his eighth wife, to whom he  
was married on last Christmas day.

## STREET LINES SOLD.

Canadian Light and Power Company  
Reported to Have Invested in  
City of Mexico.

(Associated Press.)  
Mexico, Mexico, April 17.—  
It is again reported that the electric  
street lines of this city have been sold  
to the great Canadian Light & Power  
Company here, which is reported to  
have bought the controlling interest of  
Wolmer, Bell & Co., for eight million  
dollars (gold).

## EASTERN LUMBER ORDERS UNFILLED

PURCHASER UNABLE TO  
OBTAIN SHIPMENTS

Although Mills are Running Overtime  
the Demand Much Exceeds the  
Available Supply.

Ivan D. Smith, of Montreal, is one of  
the few dissatisfied visitors to British  
Columbia.  
His cause for displeasure is some-  
what unique. Since January 8th he  
has been going from mill to mill all  
over the province trying to place or-  
ders for lumber to be shipped East, but  
the mills cannot handle them. He is  
prepared to negotiate for several mil-  
lion feet but cannot obtain delivery.  
The firm he represents requires an  
enormous amount of lumber for rail-  
road and dock construction and has  
been forced to look to British Columbia  
for all the large sizes.

Speaking to a Times representative  
this morning he said: "There is room  
to-day for a lot more mills in this  
province. The Eastern market con-  
tinually requires large dimension lum-  
ber, and for anything over 8x12 we  
have to look to British Columbia or  
the yellow pine districts of the Missis-  
sippi. But your lumber is preferred, and  
I wish I could place the orders I have  
on hand for lumber of this description.  
There is a large amount of railroad  
construction going on in the East, with  
much more coming in the near future,  
and practically all the large timbers  
for bridges, trestles and docks will  
have to be obtained from the Pacific  
Coast. Although much handicapped  
by freight rates of \$2.40 per thousand  
on lumber costing \$11 or \$12 the market  
is open for B. C. millmen and I see no  
possible reason why the present pros-  
perity of the lumber industry should  
not continue for many years to come.  
I have been talking with many of your  
lumbermen, almost begging them to  
take orders for 10, or 12, or 14 foot  
logs, but they nearly all refuse, saying,  
"We could fill the order all right but  
some one else would have to wait."

"I am going to the mainland to-night  
and will make a further trial there to  
place my orders, but can hardly hope  
to do so."

In British Columbia you have fore-  
sts of large timber unequalled any-  
where in the world, and the insatiable  
maw of the East will be glad to obtain  
all the B. C. timbers available."

Speaking of prices, Mr. Smith said,  
"I think the high-water mark has been  
reached in the boom following the pro-  
hibition of exportation, but we no re-  
sponsible why present values will not be  
maintained for three or four years at  
least. The whole stretch of the Do-  
minion as far East as Toronto is open  
to exploitation and, as I said before,  
the enormous amount of construction  
going on and projected for the near  
future will provide a market of un-  
equalled dimensions. East of Toronto  
the supply available in the maritime  
provinces and cheap water carriage  
from the other side militate against  
B. C. controlling the market, but surely  
there is enough available to fulfil the  
appetites of the most optimistic lum-  
berman."

## HON. W. S. FIELDING'S FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ends Speech Will Probably Be De-  
livered in Commons Within Next  
Two Weeks.

(Special to the Times.)  
Ottawa, April 17.—Hon. W. S. Field-  
ing will be present for the first time  
since his illness in House to-day. The  
finance minister has been attending the  
cabinet meetings for the past week,  
but has not been in the House. The  
expectation is that he will be able to  
deliver his budget speech about the  
end of next week or the beginning of  
the following one.

Welcomed by Members.  
There was a small attendance when  
the House met at 3 o'clock. Hon. Mr.  
Fielding entered shortly after the  
House met, and was cheered by mem-  
bers on both sides. He has to use  
crutches.

## COAL WASHERIES.

Anthracite Carrying Companies Will  
Make Attempt to Resume  
Work.

New York, April 17.—According to  
the Tribune the improvement was  
made yesterday on behalf of the anthra-  
citic coal carrying companies that a  
general movement has been begun  
among them to resume work at the  
washeries. Some of the washeries are  
now in operation and work on others  
will be started to-day and to-morrow.  
No attempt at present, it is said, will  
be made to mine coal.

## BURNED TO DEATH.

Fire Near Vancouver in Which Eng-  
lishman Lost His Life.

Vancouver, April 17.—Percy W. John-  
son, aged 35, a remittance man from  
England, was burned to death early  
this morning at his house at Central  
Park near here. The stove had prob-  
ably overturned. Johnson's body was  
burned to a crisp.

## EMINENT DIVINES WILL VISIT CITY

FOR CONFERENCE OF  
METHODIST CHURCH

Dr. Potts and Dr. Crews of Toronto  
Will Address the Gathering in  
May.

The British Columbia conference of  
the Methodist church will meet in the  
Metropolitan church commencing Wed-  
nesday, May 9th, and extending to  
Thursday, May 17th. On the interven-  
ing Sunday the pulpits of the various  
Methodist churches will be occupied  
for the most part by visiting clergy-  
men.

The daily agenda of business is ar-  
ranged as follows:  
Wednesday, May 9th.  
8 p.m., meeting of stationing, Sabbath  
school, Epworth league, and statistical  
committees.

Thursday, May 10th.—Ministerial Session.  
9 a.m.—Roll call and election of officers.  
11 a.m.—Memorials referred to com-  
mittees.

11:30 a.m.—Meetings of committees for  
organization.  
2 p.m.—Business as per discipline.  
4 p.m.—Reception of fraternal delegates.

Saturday, May 12th.—General Session.  
9 a.m.—Business as per discipline; re-  
ception of clergymen, college reports.  
2 p.m.—Meetings of committees, groups  
B and D.

2 p.m.—Meetings of committees, Groups  
C and E, to complete report.  
3 p.m.—Theological union.

Monday, May 14th.—General Session.  
9 a.m.—Business as per discipline. Last  
session for referring resolutions, mem-  
orials, etc., to committees.

2 p.m.—Reports of committees; miscel-  
laneous business.

Tuesday, May 15.  
9 a.m.—Election of general conference  
delegates; election of representatives to  
general board of missions; and to general  
conference board of temperance, prohibi-  
tion, and moral reform.

2 p.m.—Meeting of committees, group B  
and D, to complete report.  
3 p.m.—Meetings of committees, groups  
C and E, to complete report.

4 p.m.—Conference session.

Wednesday, May 16.  
General session; committee reports.  
Thursday, May 17.—Closing sessions.

At the different sittings the order of  
business will be according to the fol-  
lowing schedule: 1. Devotional. 2.  
Reading minutes of previous session.  
3. Communications. 4. Business as per  
discipline and as arranged by the busi-  
ness committee; 5. Announcements and  
closing.

In connection with the conference  
general of the general conference offi-  
cers will visit Victoria and take part  
in the proceedings. Dr. Carman, gen-  
eral superintendent, and Dr. Suther-  
land, general missionary secretary,  
have gone to Japan and China, and  
will not be able to attend. Dr. Hen-  
derson will not be able to leave the  
mission room in consequence.

Dr. Johnston, general secretary of edu-  
cation, and Dr. Crews, general secre-  
tary of Sunday schools and Epworth  
Leagues will attend the conference,  
however. Both of them are finished  
speakers, and will add to the interest  
in the conference.

The usual arrangements have been  
made with the C. P. R., E. & N., and  
the G. N. railways, by which con-  
vention rates are given to delegates at-  
tending the meetings of the British  
Columbia branch of the W. M. S. If  
100 or more are in attendance the re-  
turn fare will be free; if less than 100  
are in attendance, the return fare will  
be one-third of the regular first-class  
ticket. It will be necessary for all  
delegates, both ministerial and lay, and  
ladies, to buy full first class ticket to  
Victoria and secure a standard receipt  
for the same, in order that they may  
participate in the reduction. Those  
travelling by boats controlled by the  
C. P. R. will secure receipt for their  
fare. Tickets may be purchased on  
these terms on and after May 5th.

## THE ROSE MAIDEN.

The Great Albani Will Be Heard With  
the Victoria Musical Society in  
Local Production.

Arrangements have been made with  
Manager Spencer by the Victoria Musi-  
cal Society to give their last concert  
of the season in conjunction with the  
Madame Albani entertainment, May  
15th. Needless to say music lovers will  
find this event with great delight. They  
will on the one and the same occasion  
have the extreme good fortune of  
hearing Madame Albani and a galaxy  
of assisting artists, who would com-  
mand attention in any important  
musical centre. The local chorus of  
the Musical Society is 100 strong, and  
is under the direction of Mr. Hicks.  
This will undoubtedly be the most im-  
portant musical event ever held in  
Victoria, and will, it is hoped, prove the  
most successful. Subscription lists will  
be issued by the members of the  
society, and all subscribers will have  
an opportunity of securing their seats  
one day in advance of the general pub-  
lic. This will be the conclusion no  
doubt, of the musical season, and  
should vindicate Victoria's reputation  
as a musical city. It is certain Albani  
with such a splendid support as the  
great artists assisting and the chorus  
of 100 should accomplish a great mus-  
ical achievement.

## LORD ROTHSCHILD GIVES SUPPORT

BECOMES INTERESTED  
IN ARCTIC EXPEDITION

Royal Geographical Society Also Sends  
Additional Contribution—Schooner  
Sails May 15th.

Capt. Ejnar Mikkelsen, the Arctic  
explorer who is fitting out an expedi-  
tion in this city to go in search of  
scientific information about the frozen  
regions of the far north, is in great  
spirits to-day. And he has more than  
ordinary reason to be feeling in this  
condition. Until yesterday he was la-  
boring under the greatest handicap  
that can befall preparations of the  
kind he is making, namely, the lack of  
ample funds. Finances are now as-  
sured from different parties and there  
will be nothing stinted in arranging  
the preliminaries.

Last night the captain received a  
telegram from Lord Rothschild an-  
nouncing his intention to contribute  
\$1,000 towards the expedition. In ad-  
dition to this the Royal Geographical  
Society of London, England, have  
promised \$500, and assistance is ex-  
pected from other sources, so that  
there will be no lack of capital nec-  
essary. In acquiring his schooner in Vic-  
toria the captain considers he made a  
very cheap buy, but he had not figured  
on labor being so high as it is on this  
coast and his expense account reach-  
ing the proportions it has.

May 15th is the date set on which  
the Duchess of Bedford will set sail  
from Victoria. She will proceed direct  
to Siberia, where dogs for the remain-  
der of the trip are to be secured, and  
after making this call will go into the  
Arctic. Two years' supplies are to be  
taken aboard in this city, sufficient to  
last until the schooner has returned to  
Victoria.

"I have got a bird," said Captain  
Mikkelsen in speaking of his vessel  
this morning, and he spoke with even  
greater jubilation than usual over his  
prospects. "I have got all the mem-  
bers of my scientific party engaged and  
all I need is a sailing master and  
one sailor. The party will consist of  
six members, including myself, as fol-  
lows: Ernest de K. Liffingwell, my  
partner, a distinguished zoologist and  
artist; Ejnar Ditlevsen, zoologist; Vi-  
stafron, ethnologist; Dr. George  
Bower, surgeon; and 'Chris' Thorsen,  
boatswain."

The crew will number ten, making  
a total of sixteen men which the  
schooner will carry on leaving Victo-  
ria.

Improvements Made  
TO STEAMER CHARMER

Lloyd's Agent Considers Her Better than  
Any Previous Time Since Coming  
Here.

The report which Capt. J. G. Cox is  
about to send to Lloyd's as Lloyd's  
agent in this city on the improvements  
which have been made to the steamer  
Charmer furnishes some interesting in-  
formation. There has been an impres-  
sion that the steamer, because of age,  
is not as staunch as she might be, but  
the report of Capt. Cox now made  
states that she is in a better condi-  
tion as result of her recent overhauling  
than she has been before, since she  
made Victoria her home port.

The work which has just been done  
on the steamer, as itemized in the re-  
port mentioned, is as follows: Doubling  
plate on sheer strake from aft of the  
engine room to the forward of fore-  
head, consisting six plates on each  
side of five-sixteenth steel; on the port  
side on the water line seven new plates  
and on the starboard side eleven new  
plates; all the port holes have been  
overhauled, the ports having been  
taken out where necessary and  
doubling plate put inside; all the port  
holes in the engine room removed and  
closed with steel plates; the boilers dis-  
connected, lifted and the box keelsons  
repaired and strengthened with new  
angle iron; new cement placed in the  
bottom; new angle iron keelson placed  
between the bilge keelson and sheer  
strake; all the keelsons renewed from  
the engine room through the boiler  
room and bunkers; all reverse frames,  
wash plates and floors renewed where  
necessary in the boiler room; an entire  
new bulkhead placed in the forward  
end of the boiler room with water tight  
doors to shut from the main deck; new  
doubling plates on the engine room  
bulkhead; the tail shaft withdrawn  
and the lignum vitae in the stern  
bushing renewed; the engine and  
starting line and all the other shipped  
cleaned and painted inside and outside,  
and the engine boilers and winches all  
thoroughly overhauled and put in first  
class condition. "I consider," the re-  
port concludes, "the steamer is in bet-  
ter condition than she has been before  
or since she came here."

The capital sentence is not carried  
out in this country upon persons under  
sixteen years of age, although by law  
anyone over seven is liable to capital  
punishment.

## REALTY SHOWING GREAT ACTIVITY

MANY IMPORTANT SALES  
RECENTLY CONCLUDED

Montreal and Manitoba are Being Dis-  
carded in Favor of Victoria's  
Splendid Climate.

The activity in the real estate mar-  
ket so frequently noted of late is still  
maintained. Though inside property is  
not moving more rapidly than usual,  
acreage areas within a short distance  
of Victoria are changing hands with  
great rapidity. This is more a cause  
of congratulation because in almost  
every instance the purchasers are the  
most desirable class of home-seekers—  
men with money who are seeking the  
Pacific Coast to escape the rigorous  
winters of the east.

Several important transactions have  
taken place recently. One of the most  
recent was the sale by H. H. Jones of  
Victoria, of a large tract of land, 100  
acres of the Wilder estate, Esqui-  
malt road, to J. A. London, a wealthy  
gentleman of Westmont, the fashion-  
able suburb of Montreal. The land in  
question is about four miles across  
from the outer wharf, just back of the  
Esquimault lagoon. At present the land  
is unimproved, but Mr. London will  
probably return in the fall and build  
a house and therefrom make "London  
Park," as the estate will be known, his  
home. There is a desirable body of  
fresh water, about the size of Good-  
acre's lake, on the property. It is his  
intention to retire from active busi-  
ness, leaving it in the hands of his  
son, Mr. London is well known in  
British Columbia, as he has travelled  
regularly through different sections.  
Mr. and Mrs. London leave for the  
east to-night, preparatory to the form-  
ing arrangements to retire from  
business.

No sooner had he made his purchase  
than Mr. London joined the "Booster"  
Club. Through his efforts two other  
eastern capitalists have instructed Mr.  
Jones to look for similar estates which  
they are prepared to purchase as soon  
as found.

Another winter visitor here who has  
become enamored of Victoria's climate  
is James McCann, a prominent agricul-  
tural implement man of Killarney,  
Man. He has purchased the Christo-  
pher cottage and two lots on Sumas  
street in the north end of the city, be-  
yond the fountain. Mr. McCann has  
been a resident for several months,  
and after careful consideration has de-  
cided to make this city his home. Like  
Mr. London he will close up his busi-  
ness, sell a lot of land he has at Kil-  
larny, and spend a life of ease in the  
garden city





## Easter Giving

Once More the cycle h's revolved and the Holy Easter Season is Approaching.

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## FATAL EXPLOSIONS IN THE EAST

### TWO MEN KILLED BY EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE

Twelve Hundred Salvationists Arrive at Halifax and Will Settle in the West.

Kenora, Ont., April 16.—Two men, names unknown here, were killed by a premature discharge of dynamite at Stewart's construction camp at Bidwell, near here, Saturday night.

More Settlers.

Halifax, N. S., April 16.—The Dominion liner Kensington arrived here yesterday with 1,200 Salvationists for Western Canada. They are a fine looking lot of settlers.

On Strike.

St. John, April 16.—All the station agents of the Intercolonial railway who are also agents of the Canadian Express Company, at midnight Saturday refused to handle any more business for the latter company, because of the refusal of the company to increase the scale of commission. The company will close all agencies until the strike is over.

A Total Loss.

Prince Albert, Sask., April 16.—This morning fire destroyed the R. N. W. M. P. A. canteen and recreation room, together with contents, which included many cups, trophies and lifeboats of the force. The total loss will be about \$4,000, upon which there is \$500 insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Unfair Tactics.

Winnipeg, Man., April 16.—Manitoba millers have discovered a ruse by which San Francisco competitors are endeavoring to evade the Chinese boycott and capture Canadian trade. They are bagging their flour in bags stamped "Made in Canada." The matter will be brought to the attention of the Canadian government.

Oil Boring.

Neepawa, Man., April 16.—Oil boring operations here give most encouraging results, and a company has been formed to develop the proposition. The shaft is down 290 feet, and the indications continually improve. The substance brought up now burns readily.

Prizes For Wheat.

Winnipeg, April 16.—As due recognition of wheat growing as the leading industry of Western Canada, the Winnipeg Industrial Fair board will hang up prizes for cereals this year aggregating \$10,000.

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### FORTY THOUSAND IDLE.

President and Secretary of United Mine Workers Satisfied With Outlook.

Indianapolis, April 16.—President John Mitchell, of the United Mine Workers, and Secretary W. B. Wilson have arrived at national headquarters and seem satisfied with the outlook. The international executive board will meet to-morrow, and one of the matters to come before the board will be the proposition to levy a strike assessment on the miners whose operators have signed the 1903 scale and who have put the men to work.

At this time about 40,000 men are out on strike. None of the men have come to the treasurer for support.

"One would scarcely know that a strike was on," said Mr. Mitchell. "The operators and the public have all the coal they want. The miners would not have any work anyway since April 1st, and if the public is paying more than formerly for coal, someone is taking advantage of the situation."

### THE FORMOSA EARTHQUAKE.

One Hundred and Nine Persons Were Killed—Thousands Are Homeless.

Tokyo, April 16.—One hundred and nine persons are known to have been killed and twenty-nine injured in the earthquake in the southern part of the island of Formosa last Saturday. Further details, it is expected, will swell the death roll as the shock was more severe than that of March 17th.

The town of Kael again was the principal sufferer, the houses which escaped destruction in the former disturbance being now in ruins. Doko and several other towns and villages also were affected by landslides, which have completely changed the topography of the country. The officials are working feverishly to relieve the thousands of persons left homeless by the earthquake.

Terrible scenes are reported around Kael and Doko.

### LATER REPORTS.

Later reports received from Formosa confirm the earlier rumors of the complete destruction of Kael, where several persons were killed and thirty-five injured. At Doko, 400 buildings were destroyed, and at Ajenaul 1,191 buildings collapsed and 749 were damaged, and three persons were killed and fifteen injured.

These latest advices say that this shock was more powerful than that of March 17th, but as the people had been warned they were able to escape.

### MUTINY ON PORTUGUESE SHIP.

Lieutenant Reported to Have Been Killed By Sailors.

Madrid, April 16.—The Portuguese newspapers to-day print a story to the effect that while the Portuguese battleship Vasco da Gama was opposite Lisbon on April 13th there were unusual cries and signals for help on board.

A tug approached the vessel, but was fired upon and retired. The vessel was then fired upon by the crew in revenge for the death of a sailor who was killed by the lieutenant as he was trying to fire a cannon.

The papers also print a statement that the examination of the 483 members of the crew of the cruiser Carlos, who mutinied April 12th in being held, and that seven of them already have been sentenced to close confinement.

Owing to the fact that the Portuguese authorities are enforcing the strictest kind of censorship, details of the mutiny cannot be ascertained. It is rumored that the crews of the destroyer Tejo and the gunnery training ship Don Fernando have joined in the mutiny.

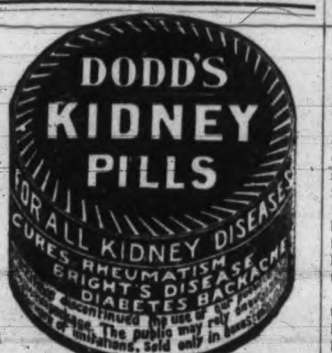
### TRIAL OF REPRESENTATIVE.

Case of Blinger Hermann Occupies Attention of Criminal Court.

Washington, D. C., April 16.—The case of Representative Blinger Hermann, of Oregon, who is charged with destroying certain official records of the government concerning the business of the general land office, was called in the criminal court to-day. Justice Gould presiding. This is one of the principal of the so-called land fraud cases, and the trial will be followed with close public attention. The indictment of Representative Hermann, which was returned more than a year ago, charges that he destroyed thirty-five certain official letters concerning the affairs of the United States general land office, January 13th, 1905, at a time when Mr. Hermann was commissioner of the land office. A demurrer, alleging that the charges were not sufficiently set out to admit of a proper defence and claiming other defects in the indictment, was overruled last month.

### NATIVE CONSTABLES SLAIN.

Manila, April 16.—The headquarters of the Philippine constabulary at Malolos, Island of Luzon, were attacked several days ago by a band of Ladrone. Three native members of the constabulary and one Ladrone were killed. The affair creates no alarm here, where it is regarded as merely an incident of the effort to establish order in the islands through the employment of native constabulary. Similar conflicts by outlawed bandits are of more or less frequent occurrence.



### MINES FILLING WITH WATER.

Pumpmen and Engineers Have Quit Work at Number of Properties.

Columbus, Ohio, April 16.—According to reports received here from Illinois and Indiana, some mines in these states are being filled with water because pumpmen and engineers have quit work. It is said that the operators are preparing to appeal to President Mitchell, of the miners' union. The mines affected are all union mines, and the union agreed to keep the pumpmen at work.

### GRAND LARCENY.

Former County Treasurer Has Entered Plea of Guilty.

Buffalo, April 16.—The grand jury handed in a number of secret indictments to-day. Shortly afterwards Fred O. Murray, former county treasurer and at present collector of the port, appeared in court and pleaded guilty. Bail was fixed at \$10,000 and furnished immediately.

The indictment to which he pleaded is against Fred O. Murray and one other, and charges grand larceny in the first degree in stealing from Erie county sums aggregating \$38,000 and receiving stolen property of the same amount.

### NIAGARA FALLS.

Engineer Explains Scheme to Obtain More Water and Preserve Beauty of Scene.

Washington, D. C., April 16.—How Niagara Falls may still retain its beauty and grandeur and at the same time be harnessed to sufficient electric output to revolutionize the industrial output of northwestern New York was explained to the house committee on rivers and harbors to-day by a delegation representing the Niagara County Irrigation and Water Supply Company.

H. L. Cooper, in charge of the engineering feature of the company, presented a plan which he said could be easily accomplished and which would not only preserve but increase the amount of water going over the American side of the falls and would also permit the use of such water as the company would need in carrying out its plan. This plan was to lower the bed of the river for a short distance above the falls. This would draw water from the Canadian side.

He explained there could be no objection to this, as the original treaty, now in force, provides for an equal division of the water and it was well known, he said, that at present the Canadian side obtained greatly over half the flow.

### THE KEARSARGE EXPLOSION.

Inquiry Opened Into Disaster on the United States Battleship.

Guantanamo, Cuba, April 16.—A board of inquiry appointed by Rear Admiral Ramsey D. Evans, commander-in-chief of the United States Atlantic fleet, to-day began an investigation of the cause of the explosion on April 17th on board the battleship Kearsarge, when the crew were engaged in target practice off Culebra Island, resulting in the death of two officers and five men.

Very little information regarding the accident is obtainable here and no member of the crew of the Kearsarge will be allowed ashore for the present. When the correspondent of the Associated Press first boarded the ship to-day, all information was absolutely refused, but later a few details of the disaster were obtained.

The explosion, it appears, took place in the forward upper turret of the battleship while a charge was being rammed in the breach of a 13-inch gun. While this was being done, it was further asserted, connection was accidentally made with the electric firing apparatus and the explosion occurred. Lieut. John M. Higgins, one of the two officers killed, was in charge of the firing party, and Lieut. Joseph W. Graves, who succumbed to his injuries on April 16th, was in charge of the armored cruiser Maryland and was acting as umpire. He was taken on board the Maryland and died there.

### RUSSIAN EASTER.

As Far as Known Sunday Passed Quietly Throughout Empire.

St. Petersburg, April 16, 11:55 p.m.—So far as known at this hour Easter passed quietly throughout the Empire. No dispatches chronicling anti-semitic disturbances were received during the night.

Will Durnova Retire?

St. Petersburg, April 16.—The Jewish Easter, the anniversary of the Jewish massacres at Kishinev and other places, happily was not stained this year, so far as was reported up to midnight, by anti-Jewish excesses. The measures taken by central government and the orders sent to the provincial authorities to take every precaution, with the added warning that they would be held personally responsible for outbreaks, apparently were effective, though danger will not be over until the Easter holidays are passed.

The high church feast was celebrated to-day in the usual fashion—with much eating and drinking and the exchange of the kiss of peace. Some slackening in the old religious fervor was noticeable especially in St. Petersburg. This is attributed to the revolutionary propaganda, which, in striking at the roots of the state, touched also blind devotion to the church. The streets of the capital have been alive since victory morning with the ebb of government officials and clerks making their congratulatory calls on their superiors.

Minister of Interior Durnova, however, published a notice to his subordinates stating that it was not necessary for them to call on him, and in the middle of general surprise his retirement from office was announced, but this declaration of congratulations regarded as another intimation that his relinquishment of office is a matter of a few days.

Count Witte for the moment seems to have downed his rival, the elections having strengthened his position greatly and enabled him to lay the blame for misrepresentation on M. Durnova.

### SITUATION IN VENEZUELA.

Resignation of Castro Is Causing Some Speculation.

Washington, April 16.—Passengers arriving here to-day from Venezuela say that the action of General Castro in retreating from the presidency in favor of Vice-President Gomez, is not clearly understood in Venezuela, but the general opinion seems to be that his retirement is only temporary. Gen. Castro has gone away as private citizen unattended and paying his fare on the railroad. His wife has gone another way, and the former president's sister arrived here to-day. The resignation of the Venezuelan president is also causing some speculation. The ministers retired when Castro gave up the reins of power, but Gomez has not appointed a new cabinet, and therefore the old ministers have retained their portfolios.

On the other hand, Castro's followers are scattering, leaving the capital in different ways. At Caracas the political atmosphere has completely changed, as is apparent on all countenances. The opinions expressed here, the nearest point to Venezuela, are equally conflicting. The Venezuelans, as a rule, are reticent when questioned on the subject. They generally say that Castro is sick, but they hesitate to give their opinion of his retirement from the presidency.

### WARNED DOWIE.

Overseer's Letter to Former Leader Read in Zion.

Chicago, April 16.—General Overseer Voliva produced the first of his batch of documentary evidence to-day by which he hopes to confound John Alexander Dowie and his followers. The instrument was a letter written under date of April 13th, 1904, and addressed to Dowie, who was then in Zurich, Switzerland. The letter was signed by Overseers John G. Speicher, Charles J. Bernard and Judge V. V. Barnes.

The inhabitants of Zion city, anticipating that such a letter would be read, flocked to the tabernacle early and long before the service opened the big building was filled. When Deacon Brazeff read that section which said, "There is no doubt for a moment that a failure to meet payments and an exposure of the true conditions of things would land yourself and cashier and general financial manager in jail very promptly," the audience signified its approval of the sentiment expressed by vigorous applause. The letter continued:

"The standard of Zion can not be lower than that set by the business world outside. Your safest place will be here at home. There is but one country outside, and that is Chile, where you would be safe from the attacks that would be made, and the situation here would be hazardous if you continue your policy."

"The using of funds otherwise than in accordance with the representations made by the stock contracts and certificates and the proofs of the appropriation of such large sums to your own personal use and for ends outside of the industries named, including what has been done at Ben Machul, would be tantamount to a conviction."

Dowie spent a quiet Sunday in this city and presided over simple Easter ceremonies, which were participated in by a few of his faithful followers at the auditorium annex.

The attorneys for both sides said that conferences would be resumed to-morrow.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria

Meteorological Department.

Victoria, April 17, 5 a.m.—An extensive

high barometer area accompanied by

the weather covers the Pacific slope, and

moderate winds are reported on the

coast. Rain has fallen in Cariboo and in

Northern Alberta, while from Southern

Alberta to Manitoba the weather is fine

and warm.

Forecasts.

For 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate north-

westerly winds, generally fair, not much

change in temperature.

Lower Mainland—Light to moderate

winds, generally fair and warm during

the day.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.29; temperature,

46; minimum, 40; wind, 2 gales S; weat-

her, fair.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.28;

temperature, 46; minimum, 38; wind, 2

miles E.; rain, 40; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.14; tempera-

ture, 38; minimum, 26; wind, calm; weat-

her, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.12; tempera-

ture, 28; minimum, 26; wind, calm; weat-

her, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.22; tem-

perature, 50; minimum, 45; wind, 4 miles

W.; weather, foggy.

Edmonton—Barometer, 29.85; tempera-

ture, 42; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.

W.; rain, 14; weather, rain.

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COMMISSION REPORTSRespecting the Valencia Wreck—Further  
Aids to Navigation Recommended  
by Them.

The commission appointed by President Roosevelt to investigate the wrecking of the Valencia has made public its report. The commission sat in Seattle, it will be remembered, the conclusions reached are similar in several points to the findings of the Canadian commission. The finding is summarized as follows by the commission:

1. The Valencia went ashore through the faulty navigation of Capt. Johnson, her master.

It appears to have been a man of good character, sober, and with a good reputation as a seaman, but the management of the vessel on this trip was unsatisfactory on several points, as follows:

(a) He acted upon the singular belief that his log was "overrunning 6 per cent," a belief that would have been justified only upon the ground that the current and the wind were against him, whereas the wind was certainly nearly aft, and it is common knowledge among all masters along this coast that at this time of year the normal current flows toward the northward and accordingly with the source of the vessel, both of which facts would make the vessel go faster over the ground than through the water, and the log would, therefore, run to register the entire progress of the vessel over the ground, and thus the log would overrun, if anything, rather than under.

(b) Although he saw no land or lights with certainty after passing Cape Mendocino at 5:30 a. m. Sunday, he did not commence to take soundings until 6 p. m. Monday, thirty-six hours later, when his last definite point of departure was at least 450 miles behind him.

(c) Even after he began to take soundings, he did not take them with sufficient frequency. He

Did Not Interpret Correctly

the soundings taken, and so far as can be ascertained, he spent very little time in comparing the soundings with his chart, and did not carefully study them as he should.

(d) Such soundings as he got might not have shown him where he was, but if properly studied they would at least have demonstrated the fact that he was not where he thought he was, and that he should be on his guard. It is a peculiarity of the bottom along this coast that if a vessel is proceeding as she should when approaching Unalakleet lights from the south and from there up to Cape Flattery, she will get a definite line of soundings of no great depth, varying from twenty-five to fifty fathoms, and as soon as she passes Cape Flattery it becomes time to turn sharply to the east into the entrance of the straits the bottom suddenly drops off on the correct course to a much greater depth, giving soundings ranging from 120 to 180 fathoms; and any master who has maintained proper relations to the coast before passing Unalakleet lights and is getting a continuous line of shallow soundings, keeping between the twenty and the fifty-fathom curve, will have his position indicated to him with substantial certainty. When he gets over this "hump" and finds this line of deep soundings, he will then know that he can be in but one place—and that place is the entrance to the straits, and he can then turn eastward and proceed down the straits.

Capt. Johnson failed utterly to get any such line of calculations, and not getting them, he should have been put very much on his guard. It is a

Matter of Mere Geography.

as he very well knew, that his northward course, if continued, must ultimately run him ashore on Vancouver Island. He knew that the coast of Vancouver Island was somewhere dead ahead of him, lying like a long wall across the northward course that he was maintaining in com-

ing from San Francisco. The safety of any vessel on this course which intends to enter Puget Sound depends upon its making the turn at the proper time. The entrance to the straits is about twelve miles wide, and a master making this northern trip knows that he must either turn and find this twelve-mile entrance, or, if he continues his course, go ashore on Vancouver Island.

With this certainty, therefore, that Vancouver Island is somewhere dead ahead on the northern trip, ordinary regard for the safety of passengers requires that the utmost caution should be exercised when approaching this entrance, and if there are any indications, either through soundings or current, fog or haze, which create a doubt as to the vessel's actual position, the vessel should be laid to or headed out to open sea until its position can be absolutely determined. Considering the remoteness of Capt. Johnson's last point of departure, the well known character of the currents, the deflecting effect of the wind and sea, and the peculiar nature of the soundings he got, he should have taken this prudent course.

Such action Capt. Johnson failed to take, and upon his improper navigation in this respect must rest the primary responsibility for the disaster. It seems very clear from the evidence, as well as from the experience of expert masters, that Capt. Johnson was navigating the vessel in an

Unscientific and Crude Fashion,

not availing himself of accurate means of information, but depending apparently more on his general impression of the vessel would arrive at the mouth of the straits at a certain time, based probably on his previous experience on this run. This haphazard method of navigation seems almost incredible upon a modern passenger vessel, and it certainly took place in this case, and the commission has reason to believe that other masters are occasionally guilty of similar methods in navigating, as one master testified, by "horse-sense," which is not a satisfactory substitute for accurate information when human lives are concerned.

(e) He allowed the two station men or lookouts to keep alternate watches of six hours each in length. A two-hour watch is sufficiently long for safety, and four hours should be the extreme.

(f) He did not require a boat drill of his crew and was not intending to have one probably until he reached Puget Sound. One half the crew on the Valencia were new men, and thus this omission of the captain nullified to a large extent the usefulness of the boat equipment so far as this trip was concerned.

(g) As soon as the vessel struck, instead of leaving the boats in their chocks, where they would not be interfered with by the passengers, he directed them to be lowered. To the saloon rail, and thus made it possible for them to be taken possession of by the passengers.

Unluckily Lowered Away

in the confusion, and, although he ordered the boats to be lowered, he failed to see that they were actually lowered, and thus made it impossible to protect the boats from the rush of passengers.

To thus place the boats within the reach and control of excited passengers would have been justifiable only if he had had a crew perfectly trained to handle and guard the boats, and the crew training required for such an operation would be rarely found on any merchant vessel, and certainly did not exist on the Valencia. Considerable allowance, however, must be made for the desire of the captain to take prompt action.

Capt. Johnson's conduct after the vessel struck and the boats had been lowered was satisfactory, and he apparently did all he could for the safety and comfort of his passengers, and showed courage and judgment.

The commission regrets that it is obliged to criticize the actions of a man who went down with his ship, and who is unable to defend himself, but for the complete understanding of this disaster and the proper establishment of the

Important Lessons

thereof, it is necessary to call attention to the primary causes that led to the wreck and the loss of life, so that they may be impressed in the future upon masters having similar responsibility, and so that such masters may be led to avail themselves of all possible means of information.

2.—Excepting possibly her bulkheads and one set of davits, the construction and equipment of the Valencia, so far as the safety of her passengers was concerned, was excellent, and none of the loss of life was due to any defect therein. The question of the buoyancy of the vessel is a question of life-preserver for one determination by the government, and inasmuch as such life-preservers were allowed by the regulations no blame should be attributed to the steamship company for having them on board.

3.—The measures taken by the steamship company to send vessels to the rescue were as complete as possible under the circumstances, with the single exception that Capt. Cousins should have been ordered to stop at Neah Bay on his way down to the wreck with the Queen, so as to pick up there, if possible, any available sailing tug that might be in that bay or vicinity. Capt. Patterson admits in his testimony that when he received news of the wreck he knew (on general principles) that there were probably one or more tugs at that bay, he also knew that the tug that placed him out of order, and that the tug could not be reached from Seattle. The Queen actually lay in the mouth of the straits from about 10 o'clock Tuesday night until early Wednesday morning, within 15 or 20 miles of Neah Bay. As a matter of fact, there were tugs at that bay at the time. Elito, Mr. Pharo or Capt. Patterson should have

Directed the Queen to Stop

at Neah Bay for a tug on the way down.

While this was a serious omission from the standpoint of the results, it is hardly surprising that this point was overlooked in the haste and confusion of the short period, perhaps an hour and a half, from the time the news of the wreck was received at the Seattle office until the time the Queen left Victoria, and the officials of the steamship company can hardly be severely criticized for overlooking this precaution. It is only fair to say that the company exerted itself vigorously in the recovery of bodies, in providing clothing and lodgings for the survivors, and in all measures of relief, at a total expense of the company of over \$15,000.

4.—The order given to the Queen from the Topeka at 11 o'clock Wednesday morning, to the wreck to rescue and return to Victoria, was wrong. The commission believes that, as a matter of legal right, Mr. Pharo was the supreme authority on the spot in regard to an order of this nature. Capt. Patterson, who was on the bridge of the Topeka, was the master of the vessel, and who actually delivered it through the megaphone, admits in his testimony that he (Patterson) was "the original suggester of the order." This is probable, inasmuch as Capt. Patterson was a master of wide experience and excellent ability in matters of navigation, and doubtless Mr. Pharo relied upon him for practical judgment in these matters. The commission therefore believes that the legal

Responsibility For This Order

rests upon Mr. Pharo and the moral responsibility upon Capt. Patterson, and that both of them are highly commendable for having issued or sanctioned this order.

It is hard to understand the motive for this order. Probably it was the desire that the Queen should return and resume her regular business in the commercial interests of the company, though it must be said that the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, throughout the entire matter, seems to have spared no effort or expense, except in this respect, to effect a rescue and to relieve the survivors. Both of these men argued on the witness stand that upon the arrival of the Topeka, which drew 17 feet, the presence of the Queen, which drew 21 feet, was no longer of any use, as she was unable to go in as shallow water as the Topeka, and being a larger vessel, was less easily handled, and that, inasmuch as only one vessel was needed there, the Topeka was the one that should have remained. This argument shows the error of their entire position.

There was need for as many vessels as could be gotten. When the Queen arrived, she was the only vessel that had not been by-passed by the Queen. The immediate question was, therefore, not one of rescue, but of finding the wreck, and as a matter of fact, the Topeka during the rest of that afternoon patrolled a beat of six or eight miles up and down the coast over and over again in the vain attempt to find the wreck. Furthermore, Messrs. Logan and Daykin testified that

When the Wreck Broke Up

about an hour after the departure of the Queen, a number of pieces of wreckage were seen on the beach, and all having life-preservers on, floated out to sea. It is obvious, therefore, that had the Queen remained, twice as much ground could have been covered by the patrol in the attempt to find the wreck, and the officers of the Queen and the best knowledge of where the wreck was, and thus there would have been more than double the chance of finding the wreck, and also this would have doubled the chance of picking up some of the survivors floating seaward from the wreck.

It might easily have happened that while the Topeka was engaged in her vain search westward, the Queen, had she been there, might by going in the other direction, have located the wreck again and picked up a number of these last victims. It is, of course, impossible to say whether the retention of the Queen at the scene of the wreck would have saved many lives, but it is equally hard to see why, under the circumstances and in view of the possibilities, she was not ordered to remain.

5.—The officers of the Topeka never saw the wreck, and therefore could not be of any service. The officers of the Queen, however, were in sight of the wreck for about an hour during part of which time they were occupied. It is true, with conversations with the Queen, and the question of sending boats to the wreck was discussed by the officers of the Queen and the masters and pilots on board, and was undoubtedly decided in the affirmative. This failure to make an attempt to send boats to the wreck, or to

Drift a Raft to It.

or to get a line to it, raises a question, which, of all others, the commission found most difficult to decide. Undoubtedly the sea was of considerable strength and the coast dangerous, there being apparently a continuous line of breakers between them and the Valencia.

Questionably the men on board the Queen, as a matter of common humanity, desired to do the best they could to effect a rescue; no men in their position could have felt otherwise. On the other hand, from the incontestable experience of the boat and the liferafts from the Valencia, the commission believes that there was a fair chance of establishing communication with the wreck either by way of boats or by drifting a raft to her, but the men of the Queen knew nothing at the time of the experience of these rafts, and there was doubtless considerable justification from their standpoint for their belief that the establishment of the communication was practically impossible.

It was practically the unanimous opinion of a large number of witnesses that the ordinary lifeboat could have been safely taken in toward the wreck as long as they kept outside of the line of breakers.

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On this point, therefore, the commission desires to express no opinion, but is compelled to observe that there was certainly no display of the heroic daring that had often marked other such emergencies in our merchant marine.

6.—As to the conduct of the Czar and the Salvor, the commission is under peculiar restrictions in stating any definite conclusions. These vessels are not of American registry, and their officers are not subject to American laws. Furthermore, they owed no duty under the circumstances except that of ordinary humanity; and, finally, with one exception, none of the officers of these vessels appeared before the commission. Also, a conflict of testimony exists as to whether the Czar, when she left the scene of the wreck, knew there was life on board the wreck or had any reason to think it possible.

The established facts, therefore, are that the Czar, in company with the Salvor, lay off the wreck near the Queen while the wreck was visible; that the Czar approached within possibly a mile or 1 mile and a half of the wreck; that she shipped considerable water; that she came back at once to the Queen and reported that there was no life on the wreck; that Captain Cousins told her that there was life there; that it is uncertain whether the officers of the Czar understood this information; that the Czar then stated that she was "going for shelter," and in company with the Salvor left the scene while the wreck was still visible. Any judgment of this conduct of the Czar and the Salvor must turn about the one point as to whether the captain of the Czar knew there was life on the wreck or whether he had any reason whatsoever to consider it possible.

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Captain Troupe, referred to in the above conversation, was in charge of the Salvor. Captain Christensen, master of the Czar, and Campbell pilot of the Czar.

These men, the officers of the Czar and the Salvor, are Canadian citizens, and the commission does not deem it proper to criticize the conduct of other than American citizens, but considers that its duty has been done in this matter when it has stated what it believes to be the facts.

7.—From the personal examination made by the commission of the steamboat inspection service at Seattle and the officers thereof, and from the results of the very thorough reinspection by the naval officers detailed for that purpose of thirty-five vessels coming into the port of Seattle about the time of the hearing, there, the commission finds, with a few minor exceptions, that the condition of the

Steamboat Inspection Service

at this port is excellent in point of efficiency.

8.—Reserving the most important conclusion for the last, the commission desires to emphasize, as the primary and greatest cause of the loss of life, the defective state of the aids to navigation and preservation of life in the shape of lighthouses, fog signals, life-saving equipment and means of communication in the vicinity of the wreck.

Owing to the peculiar weather conditions at the entrance to the straits, the Valencia was navigating in a haze which prevented her from seeing the

lights. This line of breakers was probably not more than 100 to 200 yards out from the bow of the Valencia. Had the Queen and the Topeka both remained on the spot, and had the wreck been again located, a number of boats might have been sent out to save the lives of the survivors, and some of the survivors drifting seaward would have been picked up. Furthermore, had this close approach been made to the line of breakers with the boats there in them might have been seen reason to change the opinion that a boat could not be gotten through the breakers, and a rescue might have thus been attempted directly to the wreck. Moreover, had boats been thus sent to the line of breakers before the wreck was again located, its location might have been ascertained in this way. But for some reason.

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## THEY ARE TOO SLOW.

It has frequently occurred to us, as a result of diligent study of newspapers, that while the American people are mentally and temperamentally disposed to radicalism in its most pronounced forms, they are hampered and beset in their aspirations by the constitutions, federal and state, they have set up. The institutions of which they are so proud, we might say vain, stand in their path like the pyramids of Egypt when they essay anything, for example, in the form of taxation of incomes or the government ownership of "public utilities." Just when the progressive element thinks it has devised a way of getting ahead of the organized capital which is so ready to supply it with public conveniences, a representative of this organized capital appeals to the courts, and the scheme is declared to be "unconstitutional." And then monopolistic combinations are so very influential, wielding mysterious powers in assemblies and legislatures, that to have conditions amended is a difficult task. In Great Britain or in any of the British colonies, on the other hand, an expression of the popular will is a mandate which legislatures are bound to obey or take the consequences. In cases where we have written constitutions they are not the rigid, inelastic instruments such as they are in the United States. They are subject to the ebb and flow of popular sentiment and to no other influence. The consideration of these lately realized facts causes the Springfield Republican, one of the most influential newspapers in the United States, to express the opinion that the republic is bound from henceforth to be considered as the most conservative of English-speaking countries. The radical departures from established procedure which have been so much written about in Australia would be impossible in the United States. Ontario is going to operate mines and run water wheels on her own account. The United States could not do any such thing without previously amending her constitution. The British House of Commons is discussing a measure looking to the taxation of ground values only as one of the principal sources of Imperial revenue. A reform or radical experiment of that kind, according to the point of view, would at once be ruled out of order by the autocratic speakers of either of the houses of Congress. And so, comments the Republican: "It would not be in the least surprising if the United States became increasingly the stronghold of economic conservatism in the English-speaking world, as compared with the United Kingdom, Australasia and the Dominion of Canada. Vested interests in this country have a bulwark in the division of power between a federal and a state system and in a written constitution, which vested interests in these other countries do not have. Elsewhere in the English-speaking world, where self-government prevails, a single popular legislative body dominates the situation, not even the courts being ultimately superior to its will. In the United States we have, in addition to two active and often antagonistic legislative bodies, a judicial system which may nullify entirely the work of the legislature by its interpretations of the written constitution. Under such circumstances it must seem quite inevitable that Australia, Canada and Great Britain should now show greater rapidity of movement in the paths of economic radicalism than the federal republic."

## AIDS TO NAVIGATION.

The findings of the United States Commission appointed by the federal government to investigate and report upon the Valencia wreck are substantially the findings of the Canadian Commission appointed by the Dominion government to consider and report upon the same subject. It is agreed that the unfortunate captain of the ill-fated steamer was primarily to blame for the accident, and it is recommended that more efficient appliances for life-saving shall be established all along the coast against the possible occurrence of such mistakes or unavoidable mishaps in the future. The American commissioners urge as a reason for immediate and effective federal action the rapid growth of maritime commerce on the Northern Pacific Ocean, and the prospect of an accelerated growth in the immediate future. What we purpose drawing attention to at the present time is the fact that although the findings of the United States Commission have just been made public, the federal government of Canada has already taken action to remedy the defects in the life-saving service so clearly revealed by the results of the stranding of the steamer Valencia. When the subject was under discussion in the Canadian House of Commons about a week ago Mr. Brodeur, who had but lately taken charge of the Marine and Fisheries Department, said that the British Columbia coast should be as well protected as any other, and the government would go to work vigorously. First, the coast will be surveyed. A special ship is to be built for the purpose. Tenders have been called for, she will be constructed under the supervision of an officer from Britain, and she will be finished by the end of the year. The question of building a launch for close inshore work was under consideration. A surf-boat would be built. The Cape Beale light would be improved, and other improvements with regard to lights, whistling buoys, gas buoys, etc., would be pushed. A wrecking plant as good as those in the St. Lawrence and off the coasts of the Maritime Provinces would be installed, and the ship which that plant would include would carry a surf boat. Wireless telegraphy would be installed. The question of a patrol boat was under consideration. With regard to the acceptance of American certificates, some reciprocity had obtained, but the incompetent inspection and defective seamanship shown in the Callam and Valencia affairs might render it necessary to reconsider this policy.

In pursuance of the policy outlined by Mr. Brodeur plans have already been prepared and tenders called for the construction of a survey ship, while the work on a surf-boat and other appliances for life-saving purposes are already under way. The United States, which is more directly interested in the question than we are by reason of its larger shipping interests, has not begun to move at all. We cite these facts simply for the purpose of demonstrating that our governmental machinery responds much more readily to the popular will than the machinery of government in the United States. It is not at all improbable that another winter will have arrived, bringing with it the season of danger to navigators, before the cumbersome wheels of Congress have begun to turn out aids to navigation on the American side of these dangerous waters.

## CANADA AND HER NEIGHBOR.

Our dear friends and good neighbors to the south having robbed us of a large portion of territory and called it Maine, having added through the complaisance of Lord Alverstone, a considerable amount of our possessions to the territory of Alaska, and having done many other things we think they ought not to have done, now propose to steal the major portion of the waters of Niagara River and divert it over their own side of the falls, after utilizing it for the purpose of turning wheels of many thousands of horse power. The last named, speaking in technical ignorance, we assume to be a work of considerable magnitude. But our enterprising neighbors have the spirit and the resources to attempt it once they become convinced that Nature has been over-generous to us and that the scheme is feasible. We believe there is some kind of an understanding respecting these international watercourses. They are to be preserved and conserved for the purposes for which they were originally designed by the master mind which constructed them. But there was never yet an understanding reached or an agreement entered into which could not be ignored when it seemed profitable to do so. We do not attach a great deal of importance to the signature of the American engineers on the subject of the utilization of Niagara's power. We merely make a note of the matter for the sake of drawing attention anew to the neighborly spirit of our southern friends—a spirit which has considerable effect in fostering a national feeling in Canada and creating a determination to maintain our integrity as a distinct and separate people. If there were any disposition in Canada to look to Washington, questions are continually being raised by the statesmen and economists who make Washington their headquarters which compel us to direct our gaze in another direction. It is true, as a certain local pessimistic



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soul seems to think that the destinies of Canada must inevitably become joined with the destinies of the United States, the union must be preceded by the birth of a new spirit on each side of the boundary line.

## THE GOOD TIMES AHEAD.

Canada has now reached the stage in her career of progress at which there can be no turning back. The rush of immigration is a stampede. The fame of our productive lands has been advertised in all the countries of the world, and the most energetic and most ambitious of the population of all the nations is turning its face in this direction. The conditions which preceded the growth of the United States from a nation of a few millions of people to a community of almost countless multitudes are the conditions obtaining in this country to-day. We have been compelled to wait longer for the turning of the tide than some of our more optimistic spirits in public life expected. But the day of our activity has at last dawned. It is the confident belief of those who have studied the situation carefully that the rush hitherward is merely in its initial stages. Mr. Hill, of the Great Northern railway, a man whose judgment has been justified in the success of his important undertakings, foresees what is going to come to pass, and desires to profit by the developments. The transportation facilities, notwithstanding the fact that the Canadian Pacific and the Canadian Northern and the Grand Trunk Pacific railways have projected thousands of miles of new road for the present season, are not going to fully meet the requirements of the situation. The new transcontinental line would not have been ahead of the times if it had been projected two years earlier. The North-west will, of course, be the scene of the greatest activity, the centre of wealth production and the home of prosperity. But even the remoter parts of the Dominion will have their share in the industrial revival. British Columbia, we may be sure, with her diversified resources and her unequalled climatic attractions, will not be passed over by the wave of progress. It is a time of abounding hopefulness and rosy optimism for Canada.

Just at a time when we had been led to believe that the roast beef and beer of old England as articles of diet and elements of nutrition had suffered permanent eclipse by the victory of the Cambridge rowing crew over that of Oxford, and we were in a condition of mind to venture some sage comments on the same, the following caught our eyes in the columns of an exchange: One of the foreign echoes of the moment is the reverberation of some silly talk which one of the half-penny sensational papers in London thought fit to print about the alleged diet of eggs adopted by the Cambridge University crew. Greater nonsense has rarely been put into type, and why anybody should have been willing to pay cable rates for its transmission across the ocean passes all ordinary understanding. From time immemorial eggs have formed an important part of the fare at every college training breakfast, and it may be accepted as certain that the oarsmen, both of Oxford and Cambridge, consumed them in quantities this year, in accordance with the common English habit and boating tradition. It is also certain that neither crew ate them to the exclusion of other swopped food, and least of all hard-boiled, as some of these kitchen apes pretend. The silliness exhibited on this subject by some of the scribblers in the London press is almost incredible. One wiseacre writes that fresh eggs are a light and wholesome food, as well as very nutritious,

and the editor prints the letter as prominently as if it contained a benediction for a whole human race, a cure for cancer, for instance.

## What Other People Think

JEAN GERARDY.

To the Editor:—Jean Gerardy appeared at the Victoria theatre about eight years ago; he made his debut in this city in company with his distinguished countryman, Yvonne, and the noted French pianist, A. Lachaux. Gerardy was then a youth, whom the musical world was staring and expecting something phenomenal from. He has not failed in the promise he gave. He has developed into a well-balanced artist. He not only has the necessary technique to give expression to his flights of fancy, but he has developed the far more essential qualities, tone and expression. There are many who possess great technique on instruments, but nothing else; they are performers, pure and simple. To make a musician requires temperament to be able to interpret all the emotions which human sound is capable of feeling through sound, that is music. Gerardy is credited with being a great musician. He is credited with having developed a rare musical temperament, and to hear him is to learn to appreciate the works of the great masters. His chosen instrument, the violin, is conquered by many too heavy for solo work, in his hands becomes a speaking voice, bringing out all the finer qualities of the instrument, he being able to produce the violin-like effects of the 'cello in rare contrast to the heavier bass-like tones. It is only in the hands of a master that such a difficult instrument can be appreciated. For this reason the coming of Gerardy is looked forward to with interest. It is always interesting to mark the progress made by our young rising generation. Although still a young man, Gerardy has achieved a height in his profession which is second to none, and promises to eclipse all before him.

A cordial welcome is sure to greet him, and it is only right that it should. No one interested in music can afford to be absent for the opportunity to hear one of the world's greatest artists should not be overlooked.

EMIL PERDNER,  
Bandmaster Fifth Regt., C.A.  
HOMESICKNESS.

Nixon Waterman, in Woman's Home Companion.

When we lived down to Poseyville, before we moved up here, To this new house of ours, that is all so fine and queer, My pard put in his shirt sleeves—didn't know it wasn't right; But now Ma makes him wear his coat, 'cause shirt sleeves ain't polite.

Sometimes pa gets provoked at ma, and once he said, "Plague take Your city styles! I almost wish I'd never come to make That patent churn and got too rich to live in Poseyville. If I had my way, we'd be poor and livin' back there still."

Pa says that he'd just like to know of some good reason why a kid ain't right to use a knife when you're a-watin' pie. And t'other day he said to ma, "As far as I can see, It's all a waste of time to spell your 'taters with a p."

Ma's got a brand new party dress, the first she ever wore. And when pa seen her with it on he acted kind of sore. And said, "I'd like it better, seems to me, If you could chop About a yard right off the tail and sew it 'round the top."

And pa, he's got a dress suit, too! He tried it on last night. And said to ma, "Oh, Elizabeth! Ain't I an awful sight? I may be wrong, but I'm convinced I do not hurt. If I had more of coat and vest and not so much boiled shirt."

Sometimes I wish that we'd move back to where we lived before In Poseyville, for here I can't go barefoot any more. 'Cause ma says it looks countryified; but pa, he says, says be. Well, something countryified is 'what I'm dyin' for to see."

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## MISSIONARY WORKERS.

Women's Society of the Methodist Church Will Meet Here in May.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the British Columbia branch of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church of Canada will be held in Centennial church, Victoria, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 10th, 11th and 12th, 1906. The programme of the convention is as follows:

Wednesday—Morning Service.  
9.30—Chair taken by the President, Mrs. J. P. Betts, Ladner; doxology, invocation, hymn; bible-reading, Mrs. Nicholas, Victoria; roll call of officers and delegates; nominating committee appointed; question box introduced; reception of memorials and resolutions; report of mission band corresponding secretary, Mrs. Sipprell, New Westminster.

11.00—Report of mission circles and bands.  
Wednesday Afternoon.  
1.30—Devotional exercises, Mrs. C. Watson, Vancouver; roll call and minutes; delegates' tickets collected.  
2.00—Report of committees on banner and resolutions; report of mission band corresponding secretary, Mrs. Sipprell, New Westminster; music, Metropolitan circle; gleanings from the board meeting, Mrs. Watson, Vancouver; offering, presentation of banner and prizes; doxology and benediction.

2.30—President's address, Mrs. Betts, Ladner; singing by girls from Chinese home; address of welcome, Mrs. Pendray, Victoria; reply, Mrs. McKam, New Westminster.

3.30—Greetings from sister societies; response, Miss Bowes, Vancouver.  
4.00—"In Memoriam" service, Mrs. Powell, Vancouver; sacramental service.  
Rev. S. J. Thompson, Victoria, offering.

Wednesday Evening Anniversary.  
8.00—President in the chair; opening hymn, prayer; scripture reading, centennial band; anthem, centennial church choir; report of branch corresponding secretary, Mrs. Brown, Vancouver; music, Mrs. McTaggart, Vancouver; music, Strawberry Vale band; report of mission band corresponding secretary, Mrs. Sipprell, New Westminster; music, Metropolitan circle; gleanings from the board meeting, Mrs. Watson, Vancouver; offering, presentation of banner and prizes; doxology and benediction.

Thursday Morning.  
9.30—Bible reading, Mrs. S. J. Thompson, Victoria.  
10.00—Roll call and minutes; organizers' conference, conducted by Mrs. Watson, Vancouver.

11.30—Supply report, Mrs. Bolton, Vancouver; systematic giving, Mrs. Tate, Duncan; Chinese work, Miss Shortcock, Victoria; Japanese work, Mrs. L. Hall, Cumberland, and Rev. G. Kabura, Indian work, Miss Paul, Miss Sprott, Miss Long, and others.

Thursday Afternoon.  
2.00—Devotional exercises, Mrs. T. Cunningham, Vancouver; roll call and minutes.  
2.30—Mission band conference, conducted by Mrs. Sipprell, New Westminster; solo, Miss Keating, Victoria.

2.35—Conference on auxiliary methods, conducted by Mrs. Brown, Vancouver. Topics: (a) "A Year's Work in Perspective," (b) "Auxiliary Officers and Their Duties," (c) "The Auxiliary in Its Relation to Circle and Band," (d) "The Auxiliary as a Spiritual, Educational, and Missionary Force in the Church," (e) "An Ideal Auxiliary Meeting" (illustrated).

Friday Afternoon—Metropolitan Church.  
2.00—Devotional exercises, Mrs. Powell, Vancouver; minutes and roll call; reports of committees; opening question box, Miss Bowes, Vancouver; solo, Mrs. Reid, Victoria; selection of officers; unfinished business; return of delegates' tickets; fellowship meeting, led by Mrs. G. K. B. Adams, Victoria; closing exercises.

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## TO DRAFT PROGRAMME FOR THE CELEBRATIONS.

Meeting of Victoria Day Management Committee on Saturday Evening—Condition of Finances.

This afternoon a meeting of the regatta committee, which has been placed in charge of the arrangements for that feature of the forthcoming Victoria Day celebration, is being held at the offices of Secretary Smart. A number of important matters are under consideration. On Saturday night a meeting of the general committee will take place, commencing at 8 o'clock, at the office of Dr. Garesche for the purpose of definitely deciding upon a programme for that occasion. The preparations for the festivities are proceeding apace under the capable and energetic direction of J. A. Smart, the secretary, and the equally willing assistants whom he has gathered around him. Although the events it is proposed to bring on in connection with the carnival have not yet been finally decided the principal ones are generally known to those directly concerned. For instance, there is no doubt in regard to the regatta, that old-time attraction which never seems to lose its charms to Victorians or outsiders; nor is there any reason to believe that the horse parade, in which Dr. Carter is showing an enthusiasm which augurs well for its success, will not be included in the events approved. The pyrotechnic display and the militia demonstration may also be said to be under consideration.

At the present time the latter events are more or less in abeyance owing to some uncertainty in respect to the finances. If the predictions of Mr. Smart and other sanguine directors are realized, however, there will be sufficient money to permit the arrangement of both features. Should this prove the case it may safely be asserted that the celebration, with favorable weather conditions, will prove one of the most successful in the annals of Victoria. During the past few weeks members of the committee have been exceedingly busy collecting subscriptions. Generally speaking, they have met with a generous response. A number of the wholesale men, the retailers and the cigar dealers, who heretofore have made liberal contributions, announce their determination to withdraw their support entirely on this occasion. Their reason for this action, it is stated, is because of Mayor Morley's insistence upon the policy of the strict enforcement of the Sunday closing and other laws in respect to the sale of liquor. They argue that their respective businesses have materially suffered as a result and it is not their intention to assist in public movements which so much is done to suppress the liquor traffic. As a result of their attitude Secretary Smart and his co-operators have redoubled their exertions in other directions and fortunately it is believed that it will be found on Saturday night that the subscriptions total as much, if not more, than the amount collected last year. Night blindness is a curious affection of the eye, in which the patient can see very well during the day, but becomes blind on the approach of night. It is mostly met with in warm climates.



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joy a good laugh on April 25th at Vi-  
ctoria theatre. Anti-Tuberculosis Min-  
strel.

According to the Nanaimo Free  
Press Wm. Regan, head of the C. P.  
R. exploration survey parties on Van-  
couver Island, will start another party  
out from Nanaimo today. The party  
started last week is at Extension, and  
move camp to-day.

The Mothers' Club will hold its  
meeting in the Spring Ridge school to-  
morrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. The  
subject for discussion will be "Promp-  
t Obedience," and a paper will be read  
by Mrs. Sherwood. Everyone will be  
made welcome, as these meetings are  
for all mothers who are interested in  
the subjects.

For the relief of the sufferers from  
the havoc created by the eruption of  
Mount Vesuvius, Signor Claudio has  
opened a subscription list in this city,  
and all funds collected here will be sent  
direct to the King of Italy. Signor  
Claudio's efforts along this line are in  
keeping with the efforts made in other  
cities and by many big American  
newspapers. The British and French  
people have both rendered assistance,  
the latter having contributed \$3,000 in  
money and the former having, among  
other acts to give relief, dispatched a  
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Go and see the Four Black Tones  
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Victoria theatre, April 25th.

## Fifty Years the Standard

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NO. 2 VIEW STREET.

—Watch out for the Amateur Min-  
strel, Victoria theatre, April 25th.

—D. G. S. Quadra is loading supplies  
for the northern lighthouses, and it is  
expected she will sail to-morrow.

—Mr. Kneeshaw, trance medium and  
magnetic healer, is located at 182 Pan-  
dora avenue. Test circles Thursday, 8  
p.m.

—Steamer Queen, of the Pacific Coast  
Steamship Company's fleet, will be due  
from San Francisco this evening. The  
Cottage City, of the same line, on the  
Alaskan route, is also about due from  
the north.

—The offices of the North Canadian  
Fur and Transportation Company have  
been moved to the Promis block, Gov-  
ernment street. The offices of the Re-  
sella Hydraulic Mining Company are  
also located in the same building.

—Tenders for the construction of a  
fog alarm station and lighthouse on  
Trial Island must all be in the hands  
of the deputy minister of marine and  
fisheries to-day. Competition for the  
work, it is understood, will be very  
keen. Locally there have been more  
than twice the number figuring on the  
contract than for any previous light-  
house built on this coast.

—The annual meeting of the board  
of management of the Victoria clear-  
ing house was held at the office of the  
Canadian Bank of Commerce on the  
11th instant, when the following offi-  
cers were elected for the ensuing year:  
Mr. H. B. Mackenzie, president; Mr.  
A. J. F. Galletly, vice-president; Mr.  
F. H. Laundry, manager. The total  
clearings for the week ending 17th in-  
stant were \$250,777.

—Miss Edna Olive, daughter of C. A.  
Harrison, proprietor of the Driford  
hotel, died yesterday evening at the  
early age of 14 years. She had  
been ill for a considerable period,  
suffering from a complication of dis-  
eases. Mr. and Mrs. Harrison will  
leave for the Strand to-night with the  
remains, which will be interred in Los  
Angeles. It is probable that a re-  
quiem mass will be celebrated here  
shortly.

—Information of the whereabouts of  
Knock Dougan, of Cobble Hill, who  
was last seen at Colwood at 4.30 o'clock  
on the 11th inst., is being sought by  
the provincial police. The missing youth  
is 19 years of age. A description given  
follows: Weight, 145 pounds; height,  
5 feet 8 inches; long brown hair; very  
light growth of beard and moustache;  
fair complexion; rather prominent  
nose; good teeth; and very quiet, shy  
manner; wore dark blue pants, dark  
blue coat, single breasted, brown  
waistcoat, blue cloth cap with cloth  
peak, and carried a single brown col-  
ored blanket.

—The annual business meeting of the  
Metropolitan Epworth League was  
held last evening when officers were  
elected for the ensuing year. After  
the reading of reports by the retiring  
officers, the election took place, result-  
ing as follows: President, W. M.  
Ritchie; 1st vice-president, Mrs. Fran-  
cis; 2nd vice-president, Mr. Tribe; 3rd  
vice-president, Mr. Harrison; 4th vice-  
president, Miss Bennett; secretary,  
Miss E. Harte; treasurer and organist,  
Miss F. Bailey; leaguer of forward  
missionaries, A. C. Charlton;  
reporter, E. B. Jones. A hearty  
vote of thanks was passed to the re-  
tiring officers. After the conclusion of  
business the league adjourned to the  
schoolroom where refreshments were  
served and a social half hour spent, as  
a farewell to Mr. Dowton, of the Royal  
Artillery, who will soon leave for Eng-  
land.

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## VICTORIA'S DAILY WEATHER

April 16th, 1906

Highest ..... 60  
Lowest ..... 40  
Mean ..... 50  
Rain, .18 inch. Sunshine, 9  
hours, 15 minutes.

## VICTORIA WEATHER

MARCH, 1906.

Highest temperature ..... 62.9  
Lowest temperature ..... 41.2  
Mean temperature ..... 44.8  
Total precipitation for the  
month, 0.67 inch; average amount  
2.56 inches.  
Bright sunshine, 144 hours 49  
minutes; mean daily proportion  
0.39 (constant sunshine being 14-  
hours).

—Don't fail to see the Anti-Tuber-  
culosis Minstrel, Victoria theatre,  
April 25th.

—There will be no meeting of the city  
council to-night, as according to mu-  
tual agreement between the aldermen  
they have agreed to absent themselves  
from the session that the by-law calls  
for.

—At the Centennial Methodist church  
on Wednesday evening a lecture will  
be delivered by the pastor, Rev. S. J.  
Thompson, on Henry Ward Beecher.  
This discourse has been given by Rev.  
Mr. Thompson on several occasions,  
and has always attracted considerable  
attention. Those who attend are guar-  
anteed an instructive and pleasant  
time.

—The application in connection with  
the Osphame board trouble, which  
was adjourned until 15-day by the  
Chief Justice, was again laid over this  
morning. Chief Justice Hunter was not  
in the city, and it was necessary to  
again stand it over. The hearing of  
the application was fixed this morning  
for Friday, and will be held in the af-  
ternoon. An attempt may be made that  
time be made to arrive at a settlement  
of the trouble.

—To-morrow evening an Easter en-  
tertainment will be given under the  
auspices of the Ladies' Aid of Knox  
Presbyterian church, Spring Ridge, at  
the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howell, 312  
Richmond avenue. An excellent pro-  
gramme has been arranged. It in-  
cludes a number of social games, ad-  
dresses and musical selections. Re-  
freshments will be dispensed. A nom-  
inal admission fee of fifteen cents will  
be charged, and all attending are as-  
sured an enjoyable evening.

—Dr. Fagan, secretary of the provin-  
cial board of health, returned from the  
East on Saturday, where he attended  
the annual meeting of the Anti-Tuber-  
culosis Society, at Ottawa, and also in-  
terviewed the Dominion government  
with respect to the assistance for the  
establishment in this province of a  
sanatorium for the treatment of con-  
sumptives. In Montreal two days  
were spent with Professor Starkey,  
sanitary officer of that city. As a re-  
sult of the visit to Montreal, Dr. Fagan  
and H. Mohun were appointed officers  
for British Columbia, whose duties will  
be in future to examine all applicants  
for positions of sanitary inspectors be-  
fore they receive an appointment in  
the province and to grant them if they  
are found to be properly qualified,  
sanitary inspector's certificates of  
London, England.

## MEETING THURSDAY

Of Capital Gun Club to Arrange For  
Peters' Cup Shoot—Yesterday's  
Practice.

Yesterday a practice shoot of mem-  
bers of the Capital Gun Club was held  
at the Willow's traps. There was a  
large attendance and some exception-  
ally fine shooting. Messrs. Lenfesty,  
McDougall, Stevenson and Adams were  
among those who obtained high per-  
centages. The former is well known to  
all local marksmen, and his splendid  
form this season is the subject of com-  
mon remark. McDougall is also show-  
ing a marked improvement. His record  
yesterday was very creditable, and  
Lenfesty will find in him, among  
others, a formidable opponent for the  
Peters' trophy, which will be shot for  
in the course of a few weeks. An im-  
portant meeting of the Capital Gun Club  
will be held on Thursday evening for  
the purpose of making final arrange-  
ments for that event and transacting  
other business. A full attendance is  
desired.

## IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HARBOR

RECOMMENDATIONS  
WHICH WILL BE MADE

A Conference Held Between Those In-  
terested and G. A. Keefe, Dom-  
inion Govt. Engineer.

There was a meeting held this morn-  
ing between G. A. Keefe, the Domini-  
on government engineer, and a num-  
ber of those representing the interests  
along the water front. The latter were  
represented by the following: J. Say-  
ward, C. Spratt, J. Leigh, G. A. Kirke,  
J. J. Lemon, James K. Robbeck, W.  
Turpel, J. S. Yates, J. Mulhead and  
The Sobry. Capt. Cox was to have  
appeared for the sailing company, but  
found it impossible to attend, and  
Capt. Troup, who was also to have at-  
tended, was out of the city. The meet-  
ing was held in the office of J. S. Yates.  
The proposition which the owners of  
property along the water front pre-  
sented for the consideration of Mr.  
Keefe was that of improving the har-  
bor of Victoria to meet the require-  
ments of the present. The discussion  
of the project, with the Dominion en-  
gineer was for the purpose of mutual  
assistance. It was deemed wise to lay  
the proposition before Mr. Keefe in the  
first instance, so that there would be  
a better understanding of the pro-  
ject by him than would be the case  
were he to confine himself to the ab-  
stract recommendations of the com-  
mittee which might be committed to  
paper. On the other hand it was de-  
cided to take the opinion of the en-  
gineer on many points which were under  
consideration.

The conference was very satisfactory  
and an agreement was reached as to  
what would be recommended in an  
official way to Mr. Keefe to be in turn  
reported to the government at Ottawa.  
Mr. Keefe urged the committee to  
fix upon a definite plan so that all the  
work undertaken could be in this di-  
rection and there would be no unding  
of the work. He pointed out that at  
the present time the government was  
making the entrance to the inner har-  
bor good 15 feet at low water. This  
work had been very largely carried  
out. All that now remained in con-  
nection with this scheme was a little  
dredging near the entrance to the har-  
bor. The dredging was done about 184  
feet so that there would be absolutely  
no danger that it would not when com-  
pleted be well up to the depth aimed  
at.

Mr. Sobry on behalf of some of those  
interested referred to the fact that the  
turn coming in by the present chan-  
nel were a little too sharp and offered  
some dangers to navigation. He  
thought that something should be done  
to overcome these objections. One sug-  
gestion he said had been made, that  
the channel, now occupied by W. J.  
Pendray, should be left clear.  
Mr. Keefe said that on order in  
council had been passed appropriating  
Laurel Point, but now that Mr. Pen-  
dray had built upon it he expected  
that this would be held in abeyance.  
The new plan agreed upon with refer-  
ence to the entrance to the harbor was  
shown to have in view the doing away  
with the tortuous way by the making  
of the northern point of the channel con-  
form to a straight line from Pelly Island  
to the point on the Songhees reserve op-  
posite the marine hospital.

To the committee agreed, and re-  
commended that the depth of this chan-  
nel be made 20 feet at extreme low water.  
By connecting with this point of the  
channel opposite the Indian reserve, J. S.  
Yates said that he might have a propo-  
sition to bring forward later. He would  
require to bring the matter before the  
council before saying anything definite. There was, however,  
under consideration a proposal that rail-  
way companies should be asked to ar-  
range for terminals on the southern  
shore of the Indian reserve. It was  
quite a feasible proposition, and he  
thought that eventually there might be  
something done. To carry out that work  
would require a reclamation scheme  
which would include a retaining wall  
along the water front from Colville  
Island in the direction of Hospital Point.

This would require the blasting away of  
Pelly Island, and the deepening of the  
channel right up to this retaining wall.  
It was pointed out that if this was to  
be undertaken it might be better to do  
something in connection with it at the  
time the deepening of the channel was  
first carried out, as there might thus be  
a saving of time and labor.

This matter was, however, left over for  
the present, and if Mr. Yates gets his  
scheme in a more advanced stage before  
the report goes in something may be  
done in connection with it also.

The upper harbor improvements were  
considered fully. Mr. Keefe said that he  
understood that there was a channel of  
12 or 13 feet in width in this part of  
the harbor. This channel, he knew, had  
been filling up, and he did not pretend  
to know just what the conditions were at  
the present time.

J. Sayward and others pointed out that  
it was filling up very fast, and that there  
was now nothing like that depth.  
Mr. Keefe admitted that it needed at-  
tention, and that it would be advisable  
to put it in shape for coasting vessels at  
least. If a definite scheme was agreed  
upon it would be advisable to have an  
hydraulic and a dipper dredge built for  
use in the work. These two dredges  
would supplement each other.

After full discussion it was agreed to  
recommend that while the entrance to  
the harbor should be made at least 20  
feet at low water that the depth in front  
of the wharves and extending up to the  
Point Ellice bridge should be made 25  
feet. It was pointed out that if a depth  
of 25 feet all around the upper harbor  
were effected, that it would cost little  
additional to deepen it all to that uniform  
depth. This would also be a great con-  
venience for vessels wishing to swing  
around. It was therefore agreed to re-  
commend this.

Mr. Keefe was thanked for attending  
the meeting and assisting the committee  
in arriving at a conclusion on these  
points.

The recommendations for the deepening  
of the harbor were agreed to.

How IT SPREADS.  
The first package of Dr. Leonard's  
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of the entrance to the harbor to 25 feet  
and the portions of the harbor in front  
of the wharves and the whole of the  
upper harbor to 25 feet will be made to  
Mr. Keefe in a formal way, and the  
members of the house of commons and  
the senate urged to grant the request.

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land, which has probably very few  
equals in journalistic annals. The  
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One of the chief causes of nervous  
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to the fact that, in city life, men's eyes  
are always fixed on near objects. When  
at rest, the eyes move apart until they  
are parallel, as if they were looking at  
the horizon. All the time, therefore,  
that a person is looking at objects  
close to him the little muscles of the  
eye are doing tiring work. That is  
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A GOOD THINGCATTLE KING RENTS  
O'REILLY FARMFamily Will Spend Summer Here--  
Other Movements in Real  
Estate in City.Years ago when Cariboo was the  
principal source of wealth of the prov-  
ince it was a fixed habit among the  
successful miners to operate in that  
district in the summer time, leaving  
their families to enjoy throughout the  
entire year the advantages of metro-  
politan life in the capital of the prov-  
ince. Husbands, fathers and brothers  
invariably returned in the fall to join  
their families throughout the winter.  
With the passing of the Cariboo ex-  
citement and the opening up of new  
cities and towns, where employment  
was permanent the year round, this  
condition altered considerably, and in  
the most of instances those engaging  
in commercial, industrial and mining  
pursuits have made their homes where  
their businesses lay.During the past two years, however,  
a marked change has again taken  
place, and there has been a tendency  
to revert to the old order, excepting  
that the constituency from which they  
were driven is as far east as Winnipeg.  
The Times has frequently commented  
on the presence here during the past  
winter of dozens of wealthy Mani-  
tobans, who were accustomed to  
spending their winters in California,  
but who find in Victoria more attrac-  
tive climate and more congenial so-  
ciety than further south. In this work  
the Tourist Association has had a  
prominent part.This tendency is on the increase, and  
as Chief Commissioner Chapman of the  
Hubron Bay Company told a Times re-  
porter this morning, a big travel in-  
dustry is in the direction, which  
will insure the presence here every  
winter of the wealthiest and most  
prominent people from throughout  
Manitoba and the Northwest.Within the last few days one of the  
most prominent Western Canadians,  
Mr. Pat Burns, the cattle king in the  
city of Calgary, which is said to have  
cost \$75,000, has taken a lease of one  
of the prettiest of Victoria's homes,  
that of the late Judge O'Reilly, on the  
George, just above Point Ellice bridge.  
It is understood that Mr. Burns will  
bring his family here for the summer  
and that possibly they may stay in Vi-  
ctoria may be indefinitely prolonged.Mr. Burns is a citizen whose wide-  
spread activities make him a common  
citizen of the four western provinces,  
and his choice of a summer home for  
his family reflects his good judgment.Another instance of a smaller kind,  
although the home is not of course  
so pretentious, is the purchase within  
the last day or two of Mr. Welo's  
pretty home on Fernwood road by one  
of the oldest civil servants of the  
province whose territory lies very re-  
mote from this city. A third case is  
the purchase to-day by Frank Clapp of  
Craibbrook of No. 6 Turner street, the  
home formerly occupied by Mr. J. H.  
Bickaby. Mr. Clapp will install his  
family here at once, and will make this  
his base for his operations in the north  
west, where he will leave in a few days.  
The sale was made through Heister-  
man & Co.This latter firm report marked activ-  
ity in the Seaview tract in the north  
ward, where six lots were purchased  
Saturday morning.The Victoria Transfer Company's  
tally-ho started on its regular summer  
runs to-day, making the second al-  
ready in commission on Victoria's  
streets this spring. The company are  
now negotiating with English firms  
for a large automobile tourist car. It  
had been intended to secure this from  
the American side, but the company  
say that on such a machine with the  
day added the price would be almost  
prohibitive. They fully expect, how-  
ever, to get a car from England in good  
time for the summer season. The  
company have to-day received from the  
east a carload of buggies, which  
represent the very latest style in the  
garriage line.The oak is the heaviest of British  
timbers. Next comes the beech, then  
ash, apple, maple, cherry, walnut, and  
pear. Poplar is lightest of all.

## CITIZENS' ATTENTION

Another Public Meeting To-night at  
City Hall—Report of Committee  
on New Organization.Another public meeting will be held  
in the council chamber of the city hall  
this evening for the purpose of com-  
pleting the organization of the associa-  
tion which it was originally suggested  
should be known as the 100,000 or  
"booster" club. Last Tuesday night it  
was remembered, the hall was  
crowded to the doors and the move-  
ment was unanimously endorsed, the  
details being left in the hands of a  
committee, the appointment of which  
was entrusted to Mayor Morley. It is  
a matter of general knowledge, no  
doubt, that the Mayor fulfilled his  
duty very promptly and that the  
committee selected by him have since  
met and drafted a report to be sub-  
mitted for amendment or endorsement,  
as the case may be, at this evening's  
gathering.This report has already been out-  
lined by the Times. It might not be out  
of place to explain in this connection,  
however, that it is proposed to recom-  
mend that the new society shall ab-  
sorb the Tourist Association, or per-  
haps it would be wiser to say amal-  
gamate with that organization. The  
matter was debated at some length be-  
fore being decided upon and the com-  
mittee, ultimately, was unanimously  
of the opinion that the more advisable  
policy would be for the two to work  
as one in the effort to advance the in-  
terests of the city. Therefore the pro-  
posal to be discussed to-night is the  
enlargement of the scope of the Tour-  
ist Association and the changing of its  
name to the Victoria Development So-  
ciety.At a full meeting of the executive of  
the Tourist Association held this morn-  
ing a deputation comprising H. Kent,  
chairman, and Messrs. Carter, Shakes-  
peare and Blakemore, from the citi-  
zens' committee, was received. They  
explained that their object was to as-  
sess the views of the management of  
the society as to the proposed amal-  
gamation of the forces of the present  
association and the new movement for  
the purpose of extending the influ-  
ence of the body in its work towards the  
advancement of Victoria. Members of  
the executive expressed themselves as  
heartily in favor of the proposition, be-  
lieving that it was for the general  
good without regard to section or  
class. It was pointed out, however,  
that the constitution of the Tourist  
Association provided for the advance-  
ment and development not only of  
Victoria, but of Vancouver Island as  
a whole.

## ILLEGAL DIVORCES.

Decision of United States Supreme  
Court Will Have Far Reaching  
Effect.Chicago, April 17.—It is estimated by  
Chicago lawyers that the decision of  
the Supreme court of United States  
holding illegal all divorces except  
where both parties to the suit are re-  
sident within the same jurisdiction will  
make illegal 500 divorces that have  
been granted in this city alone, and  
pave the way for all manner of con-  
spiracies in the next generation over  
inheritance and the rights to property.Crops are being harvested somewhere  
in the world during every month in  
the year. South Africa and Peru harvest  
in November, and Bengal, Burmah and New  
South Wales in December.

Everybody Smokes Old Chum.

## ATTITUDE OF OPERATORS.

Report That They Will Reject Pro-  
posal Submitted By Miners.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 17.—The anthracite  
operators are expected here to-day  
are reported to have decided to reject  
absolutely the miners' latest proposi-  
tion and to adhere to their own former  
proposition.Two operators are authority for the  
statement.

## THE MISSOURI LYNCHING.

Four Men Charged With Being Lead-  
ers of Mob That Hanged  
Negroes.Springfield, Mo., April 16.—Four men  
are now under arrest here charged  
with being leaders in the mob that  
broke into the county jail Saturday  
night and lynched three negroes. One  
of the alleged mob leaders is in jail,  
and three have been released on bail.Charles Cammett and Oney Caffrey  
were the first men arrested. Dan  
Craze, a well known saddler, mer-  
chant, was the third arrested. These  
three have been released on bonds.  
Ost Hall, the last man arrested, is a  
police court character. Hall is still in  
jail.The grand jury will meet to-morrow  
morning especially to indict those who  
were in the mob of lynchers.It is expected that the grand jury  
will indict at least fifty and perhaps  
100 men. All men supposed to know  
the name of anyone in the mob will be  
summoned as witnesses before the  
grand jury, and in this way the prose-  
cutor hopes to get the names of nearly  
all who took an active part in the as-  
sault upon the jail.Not a man in the mob wore a mask  
or made any attempt at concealment.

## Another Negro Shot.

Springfield, Mo., April 16.—Leslie  
Peters, 16 years old, shot and killed  
Ralph Burns, a negro of bad reputa-  
tion, one of two who attacked him in  
ing a young lady home from a party.The negroes accosted him at the gate  
of the young lady's home, and one of  
the negroes fired two shots from a re-  
volver at him, but neither shot took  
effect.Peters immediately fired four shots at  
the negroes, killing one of them, and  
the other escaped. Peters went to the  
police station and gave himself up, but  
he was released without bond.The militia on guard there prevented  
any violent outbreak, and after a time  
dispersed the crowds, and no further  
trouble is feared to-night, though it is  
believed that the killing to-night will  
tend to increase the feeling against the  
negroes.A squad of militia was detailed to  
guard the home of the young lady  
whom Peters was escorting when he  
was attacked.

## ULTIMATUM TO DOWIE

Voliva and His Followers Submit Arbi-  
tration Proposal—Their Final  
Offer.Chicago, April 16.—General Overseer  
Voliva and his followers to-day pre-  
sented what they termed an ultimatum  
to John Alexander Dowie in the form  
of an offer to submit the whole contro-  
versy over Zion City and its business  
and ecclesiastical affairs to a board of  
arbitration.Should Dowie refuse to agree to this  
method of settlement, then all negotia-  
tions are considered at an end, and  
Dowie's claims to any part, financial or  
ecclesiastical, in the affairs of Zion  
City will be fought to a finish.The proposal of arbitration provides  
that a committee of four or eight mem-  
bers be appointed, two or four of  
whom, as the decision may be, to be  
appointed by each side. Should there  
be a disagreement by the committee,  
then a fifth member shall be appointed  
by Voliva. It is further provided that  
all property belonging to the Christian  
Catholic church shall be transferred to  
this board of arbitration, and that  
their judgment as to whether Voliva or  
Dowie shall control the same will be  
final.No reply to this has as yet been made  
by Dowie. Attorney Emil C. Wetten,  
representing Dowie, said to-night, how-  
ever, that Dowie would never consent  
to a sacrifice of the ecclesiastical power  
attendant to Zion City.Attorney Newman, representing  
Voliva, said: "We are willing to con-  
cede that Dowie has an indisputable  
right to 5 per cent. of the property  
owned by the Christian Catholic  
church, but we demand that a confer-  
ence between the Dowie faction and the  
followers of Voliva be held and that  
Dowie sign an agreement whereby he  
relinquishes all claims to the property  
in question in consideration of the fact  
that he is vested with the sole proprie-  
torship of 5 per cent. thereof."During the conference to-day be-  
tween the opposition forces, Attorney  
Wetten demanded that all statements  
printed in the last issue of Leaves of  
Healing, the official paper of Zion, be  
designated as slanderous and improper.  
He telephoned to the postmaster at  
Zion City notifying him that if he re-  
ceived any number of Leaves of Heal-  
ing and permitted them to be passed  
through the mails he would be amen-  
able to the law.Mr. Wetten also telegraphed to Post-  
master-General George B. Cortelyou  
advising him of the situation and ask-  
ing him to deliver a ruling upon the  
point at issue. Attorney Wetten claims  
that to send the last issue of Leaves  
of Healing through the mails is an of-  
fense against the United States gov-  
ernment, inasmuch as it contains state-  
ments derogatory to the moral charac-  
ter of Dowie.Each Servian village has its swine-  
herd, who takes care of all the pigs  
in the place. Each morning he goes  
through the streets blowing a horn,  
and the pigs run out, fall in behind  
him, and are led to pasture. At night  
he brings them home again and as  
each pig passes its home it drops out  
of the herd of its own accord and  
goes into its pen.John Torrance has been sentenced at  
Carlisle, Eng., assizes to three years'  
penal servitude for shopbreaking. Con-  
viction was established by the identifica-  
tion of his teeth marks in a piece of  
cheese which he had bitten. Mr. Justice  
Grantham advised the jury if ever they  
got hold of a piece of cheese to finish it.Decorative things  
for Dining, Smok-  
ing Room or DenHave you ever observed the  
large collection of old and quaint  
bits of pottery we carry, which  
are suitable for the better furn-  
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year 1905, that to prevent their prop-  
erty being advertised for sale, the same  
must be paid at his office on or before  
the 28th day of April, 1906.CHARLES KENT,  
Collector.

City Hall, April 3rd, 1906.